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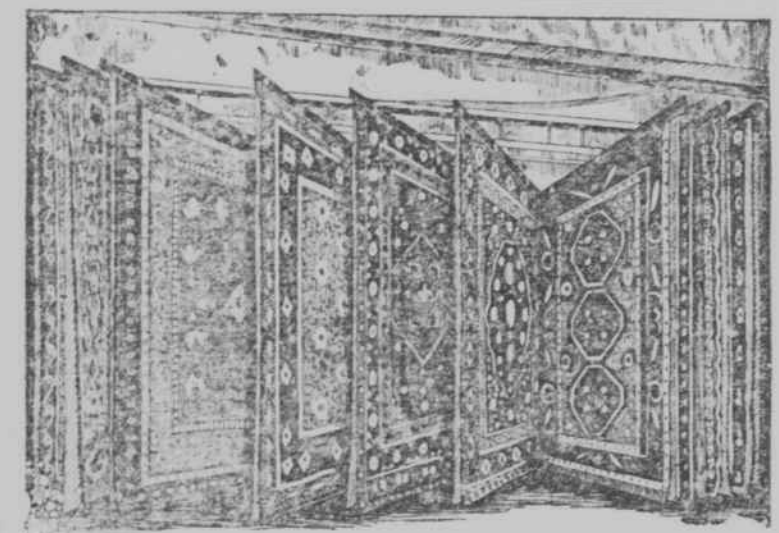
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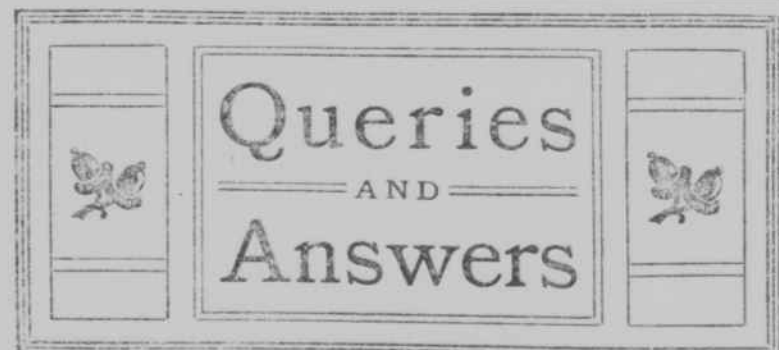
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First Telegram.
When was the first telegram sent? A. H. SMITH.
On May 24, 1844, between Baltimore and Washington. The message was: "What hath God wrought?"—Numbers 231, 24.

Manganese.
Of what use is manganese and is it valuable? J. B. L.
The ore and salts of manganese are of considerable value, both as bleaching and oxidizing agents, and manganese is also used in the manufacture of steel.

Jamestown Exposition.
A visitor would like to get work on the Jamestown Exposition. Will you kindly tell him in the query column to whom to apply? H. P. G.
G. Brooks, Jamestown, Norfolk, Va.

Baptist Churches.
Will you kindly print in The Times:

Park is within corporate limits of Richmond? It is not within the corporate limits.

Pamphlet Wanted.
Where may I obtain a copy of the address of Major Myers before the students of Randolph-Macon College? C. T. L.
The secretary of the college can probably supply you.

Choice of Dictionaries.
Will you inform me what is the best moderate-price English dictionary and what is the best irrespective of cost? W. G. H.
Probably Stornworth for the first and certainly Murray for the second.

Life-Saver Reports.
Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir: I understand that you have been advertising for the boy that saved Pierce Hall from drowning about two years ago. My name is
WILLIAM TONEY DICKSON.
Aged seventeen.
White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

The Older Universities.
I desire to know the dates of foundation of such American universities as existed prior to the Revolution. Can you tell me?
W. E.
Harvard, 1636; William and Mary, 1693; Yale, 1701; Princeton, 1746; Pennsylvania, 1740; Columbia, 1754; Brown, 1764; Rutgers, 1784; Dartmouth, 1769.

The Potato.
Please tell me where the potato originated.
READER.
It is native of the mountainous regions of tropical and subtropical America; it is considered to have been brought to Ireland by Hawkins and to England by Drake.

State Fair Exhibits.
With reference to some exhibits to the State Fair, please tell me through your column when and to whom I shall send them, and judge the
FARMER OF A SUBSCRIBER.
Send exhibits to Virginia State Fair Association, Richmond, Va. Exhibits should reach Richmond not later than October 25th.

Slab Artist.
Can you tell me where and when the term "slab artist" originated?
A FAN.
It is not likely that this term is to be found in connection with any story of its origin in any reliable book. There has been no revision so far as we know, of any slang dictionary since the phrase was born.

Meade's Old Churches.
Please tell me where I can get a copy of Bishop Meade's Old Churches and Families of Virginia, and also if any special formality is necessary in the purchase of a copy.
T. M. A.
The Bell Book Company, Richmond, Va., will supply the book. The license under which the business is operated must be transferred to the buyer.

Umbel.
Please tell me what the name "Umbel" means and whether the matter is natural or artificial.
ART CLUB.
The staff is supposed to have been first found in the Umbria district of Italy. The name is a trivial one, from Umbra, the people who inhabited the country and its significance is not exactly known. Umbel is a natural product occurring in stems and buds. It is also artificially prepared from peas, etc.

Lump on Udder.
Please give a remedy in your query column for lump in cow's udder. The milk is all right. It just seems to be a tumor. By so doing you will greatly oblige a subscriber.
L. M.
Apply the following ointment night and morning: memorial ointment, four ounces; soft soap, four ounces; extract belladonna, one ounce. Mix well together and apply.

Horse Diseases.
1. Please publish in your next issue a remedy to cure a scab on a horse.
2. And also a remedy for a snake bite on a horse.
OLD SUBSCRIBER.
1. Dissolve the dead skin out; then treat as an ordinary wound.
2. Laying down of whiskey, alcohol or brandy; also ammonia, largely diluted in water. The object is to sustain life until the poison has spent its power. Tobacco poultices are good to soothe after the wound has been cauterized.

The Moonstone.
Please tell me who wrote "The Moonstone" and where I can find a copy of it. Will you give the names of authors and their works?
B. F. N.
William Collins. There are so many books covering more or less well the matter you want that it is hard to choose one. Probably Wheeler's "Who Wrote It?" published by Lee & Shepard, Boston, would please you. None of these books is new, up to date, and the amount of "new" fiction is so great that they cannot be.

Scratches on Dogs.
What is a sure cure for the dog disease, called scratches?
B. F. A.
It is difficult to give any sure cure for any disease. But in the utmost importance. As a wash, the following will be found useful: Alcohol, one ounce; sulphur sublimated, two pounds; add two gallons of soft water. Mix well and boil down to one gallon. Let it stand till cool. Four off the clear liquor; filter, if necessary. Apply frequently over the whole body with gentle friction.

Pensions for Widows.
Please let me hear through your query column if any pension is given widows of Confederate soldiers?
SUBSCRIBER.
The pension act applies to every native of Virginia, and to the widows of such as are dead, who enlisted from this or any other State in the military or naval service of the Confederate States, and who or shall be at the date of application a citizen and actual resident of Virginia. But the act applies to no widow who was married to any such soldier or sailor after May 1, 1861, nor to any widow who has again married.

Saint Swithin.
Please tell me who Saint Swithin is, and what he has to do with the weather.
A SUBSCRIBER.
Swithin was a distinguished English ecclesiastic of the ninth century, chaplain to Ebert, tutor to Alfred and bishop of Winchester. His diocese was, and was, based by his direction in Winchester church yard. A hundred years later he was canonized and the monks arranged to remove his body to a place in the cathedral. This ceremony, scheduled for the 15th of July, was delayed by incessant rain for forty days, and there grew out of the circumstances the old English superstition that if it rained on

THE GREAT "Ready-to-Wear Store" Opening Week

The well-known Richmond house of Julius Sycle's Sons, Second and Broad Streets, has been remodeled, and is to-day completely transformed into the first and only

Ready-to-Wear Store in Richmond

Here the stock is absolutely new and perfectly complete—not an old piece of goods in the house, and here can be fitted from head to foot in the latest and newest garments

Men, Women and Children

Literally and truly, the store contains everything to fit everybody. The store is a new departure for Richmond; there are few like it in the South, and it is certainly destined to be a boon to the shopping public of Richmond.

The tired housekeeper, the hurried traveler, the busy clerk, the woman who is disappointed in her dressmaker, all can find here an easy solution of their troubles. And the prices are right. The finished garment here costs less than the material and the home making.

Here's an idea of what the store contains:

Ladies' Suits, Ladies' Dresses, Ladies' Waists, Ladies' Underwear, Millinery, Ladies' Shoes, Infants' Clothing, Children's Clothing, Men's Suits, Men's Overcoats, Gents' Furnishings, Men's Hats, Men's Shoes, Ladies' and Gents' Hosiery, Infants' and Children's Underwear.

Remember the FORMAL OPENING WEEK. The stock in this store is a new sight to Richmond, and it's well worth looking at even out of curiosity. Another feature—we are glad to give you credit. Come, open an account.

"The Ready-to-Wear Store"

Julius Sycle's Sons, 2d and Broad Streets

July 15th it will continue to rain for forty days.

Who Knows?

Please let me know, through the Query Column of your paper, if there is an estate held in trust by the State of Virginia for the heirs of William Gadsberry, William Gadsberry emigrated to Kentucky quite awhile before the war. He left a brother, James Gadsberry, who had one son, that went in the war. He was killed at Culpeper. That left no heirs to the property of James Gadsberry, who, as I understand, owned what was known as Seglamore Bottoms, near Richmond. If you can give any information, I will appreciate it.
R. H. M.

We are unable to get any information on the subject. Perhaps some of our readers can tell.

Dual Offices.

Please answer in next Sunday's edition of your paper whether it is legal for any one to hold the position of constable, deputy sheriff, jailer, special police, and substitute for rural route carrier. There is nothing incompatible in the discharge of the duties of these respective offices; but if the person holding them receives compensation for acting as a substitute for a rural route carrier, it would vacate the offices under the State government.

Heraldry.

Will you inform me what is meant by "quartering the English arms"?
JOAN B.
The quarter to a shield is the upper right-hand portion. Into this may be put the "arms" of one's maternal family. If a person's mother be of the royal family of England he may, in general, quarter the English arms on his coat. Edward the III was the first who "quartered arms" bearing England and France in the right of his mother, Isabella. Towards the end of his reign his subjects began to imitate the royal practice and quarter maternal arms. Hastings, Earl of Pembroke, being considered the first who did so.

The School Law.

1. Is there a law forbidding a married woman teaching a public school in Virginia?
2. Who said, "We are as near Heaven as we can get"?
3. Is it against the law for a letter sealed with wax to go through the mail?
4. The line between a neighbor's land and mine has been twice run by a county surveyor, missing it both times. Before it was run the last time the other man pulled down my fence, cut down trees, and the surveyor ran the line over on my land and now refuses to come and survey again. I do not wish to lose my land, but do not think it worth the expense of a suit. What redress can I have?
READER.

1. No.
2. Burton said, "All places are distant from Heaven alike."
3. No.
4. Consult your Commonwealth's Attorney.

Teachers' Certificate.

A first grade certificate issued by the county superintendent July, 1906, good for three years and renewable for two years, and can be ordered by any county superintendent in the State of Virginia. Will A have to be examined in 1907 under the present administration?
A CONSTANT READER.
If A holds a first grade certificate issued by a division superintendent in July, 1906, good for three years, and it will be valid until it expires in 1909, and A will

not have to be examined in 1907. The examination of teachers and the issuance of certificates are in the hands of the State Board of Examiners, but this does not affect the validity of a certificate issued by a division superintendent under the old law.

Pickles and Beeswax.

I am a subscriber to your paper and my wife wants me to write you for a recipe for pickling cucumbers by adding sugar, so they will not shrink, but remain solid and plump. She also wishes to know how to clarify beeswax that is very dark after it is rendered. Please answer the above next week in your query column, and oblige.
S. L. KALIE.

There is no infallible rule against the shrinkage of cucumbers in pickle. The best way to render them green and brittle is to let them simmer in a weak solution, covered with grape leaves, for about half an hour. Then soak them well in clear, cold water before putting them in pickle.

Beeswax may be freed from dirt by melting and straining, but its color is due to the character of flower from which the bees suck the honey. When it is naturally dark it cannot be made light according to any process that we know.

A Teacher's Inquiry.

Has a school teacher who taught year before last, but not last year, took the examination in May, failed to get a certificate, then attended the State Normal, took the examination again on half of the free school branches, and now has a slip of paper stating she graded second in that number, a right to be bonded and teach in the free schools? Had she taken the fourteen branches, and the paper calling for second under same conditions, could she have taught legally?
A READER.

All teachers were permitted to take the examination on July 26th, 27th, and August 1st, whether they had taken the examination held May 23-24 or not, and whether or not they had earned a certificate on the date last named. Those special orders have been made to make the transition from the old order of examinations to the new as easy as possible. You can very readily see that the

teacher who attended one of the summer normals and made a second grade rating on part of the subjects is in a much better condition to perform the duties required of her than she was when she held only a third grade certificate on all of the subjects.

Diseases of Chickens.

Will you kindly have published a remedy for limber neck and cholera in chickens? The symptoms are as follows: The birds keep to the roost, with body erect, but their heads droop and hang down, and the full length of the neck and the eyes are beamed. After lingering for about two or three days death always follows. Two or three fowls of a flock of seventy-five are usually attacked at one time.
J. H. D.

Limber neck has not been studied sufficiently to know how to treat it. It very seldom pays to doctor sick chickens, as they have not the vitality to stand disease, nor is it worth the trouble. The treatment for cholera is to kill the first bird affected. Remove the drinking pans, replacing with new ones and give the following preparation at the rate of one tablespoonful in two gallons of soft food, or, if preferred, give in water, twenty-four ounces copperas, one ounce blue vitriol, one pound Venetian red, one ounce nitrate of potassium. This is also a valuable tonic to give to well hens occasionally, and is one of the very best of the preparations for cholera. Another remedy or prevention rather (for it is useless to doctor sick chickens) is to give one-eighth ounce sulpho-carbonate of zinc to a quart of drinking water.

Fuel for Schools.

Please inform a subscriber if there is a law compelling a teacher of the public school to pay for wood used in the school room, as is the custom in some counties. The fuel is paid for by the school board and also a justice to make fires and sweep up.
B. A. H.

There is no law compelling the teacher of a public school to pay for the wood used in her schoolroom, unless the wood is furnished by the parents. It should be furnished by the school board according

to what I had supposed to be the universal custom in Virginia.
The question of providing a janitor is different. In small schools the rooms should be swept and the fees made by the teacher and pupils. In the language of the regulations "teachers should see that the schoolrooms are kept clean and made comfortable and attractive, and the pupils should aid in this work." In large schools it is the general custom to have a janitor, who is paid for his services by the school board, but there are no regulations on this point.

A Teacher's Standing.

1. If a teacher holding a first grade certificate in force until 1908 should fail in the summer examination, could she teach on this certificate?
2. Solve the following problem: Which is the better investment, 5 per cent. stock at 120, or 4 per cent. stock at 80, five work and reasons.
A SUBSCRIBER.

1. The teacher who has held a first grade certificate good until 1908 will not be deprived of her standing under that certificate by reason of an unsuccessful attempt in another examination in the meanwhile.
2. The dividends on stock are based on its par value. Therefore 5 per cent. stock of the usual par value of \$100 per share will yield a dividend of \$5 per annum, and likewise the 4 per cent. stock a dividend of \$4 per annum. If one pays \$120 to buy a share of the par value of \$100, therefore he will receive a yearly dividend of \$5 on his investment of \$120. His rate of income will be 5 divided by 120, or 4.1-6 per cent. In the other case he will receive a yearly dividend of \$4 on his investment of \$80, or 5 per cent. The investment in 4 per cent. stock at \$80 yields an income of 5 per cent., and the investment in 5 per cent. stock at \$120 yields 4.1-6 per cent.

Horrors of Close Shaves.

A New York barber has on a corner table a fine pocket microscope and a framed announcement that says:
"Do you know what a close shave means? Bring a friend here, if you don't, have him shaved close, and then look at the face through the microscope. The shaving skin will resemble a piece of raw beef."
"To shave the face perfectly smooth requires not only the removal of the hair, but also a portion of the cuticle, so that a close shave means the removal of a layer of skin at least. The blood vessels thus exposed are not visible to the eye, but under the microscope a little quivering motion holds a minute blood clot, protects against such treatment, setting a fresh seal."
"The nerve tips are not uncovered by close shaves, and the pores are left unprotected, which makes the skin tender and unhealthy. This action exposure of the inner layer of the skin causes a person made to catch colds and sore throat."

A Riverside Regret.

When Phyllis parts, she weds the pole
With this loveliest of dainty style,
Inconspicuously clinging while
We slowly move toward our goal.
When Phyllis parts, I long to be
And long would see her smiling face,
For seldom does such delicate grace
As hers delight a lover's eye.
But what with thrusting shifts aside,
Retreating yards by the score,
And pushing off from either shore
I'm far too fully occupied
When Phyllis parts.
—Punch.

The temptress is not the only man who dares to a ship game.

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